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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q78317

Xavier ANDRIEU, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/713,000

Group Art Unit: 1762

Confirmation No.: 9402

Examiner: Alain I. Bashore

Filed: November 17, 2003

For: METHOD OF COATING AN OPTICAL FIBER

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 26, 2006, in which the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for response by one month, making a reply due on or before July 26, 2006.

In the Action, the Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following:

Group I. Claims 1-14, drawn to process of making, classified in class 427, subclass 163; or

Group II. Claims 15-17, drawn to product, classified in class 359, subclass 341.1.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, drawn to claims 1-14 without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

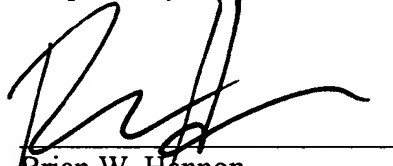
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In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes that a complete examination on the merits is now in order. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that a personal or telephone interview would be helpful, she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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